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BEFORE THE GUAM CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

IN THE MATTER OF:

MANNY T. ACFALLE,

Employee,

VS.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS,

Management.

ADVERSE ACTION APPEAL CASE NO.: 22-AA03T

DECISION AND ORDER

This matter came before the Civil Service Commission (Commission) for a motion hearing on September 22, 2022, to hear Management's Motion for the Commission to Determine Burden of Proof Pursuant to 4 GCA, § 4402, § 4407 (c), and Javelosa filed and served on

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August 18, 2022. Employee did not file any opposition to this motion at any time.

Present at the motion hearing on September 22, 2022, was Chairman Juan K. Calvo, Commissioner Priscilla T. Tuncap, Commissioner John Smith, and Commissioner Robert Taitano. Employee was present and was represented by Robert Koss of the Guam Federation of Teachers. Department of Corrections Director Robert Camacho was present and represented by Assistant Attorney General Donna Lawrence.

Facts/Background

Employee was personally served with a Notice of Proposed and Final Adverse Actions on January 14, and January 28, 2022, which set forth criminal allegations and charges relating to his unlawful use and possession of illegal drugs and his violation of Guam's Drug-Free Workplace Policy and Guam law, including executive orders, federal and state criminal statutes, including Guam's Controlled Substances Act (9 GCA Chapter 67), among other charges. In his appeal to the Commission, Employee did not contest his use or possession of illegal drugs. Employee admitted to prior use of methamphetamine in his Internal Affairs' interview.

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Ruling as to Burden of Proof

After reviewing Management's motion, including all attachments, and after listening to the arguments of the parties, and after consultation with the Commission's legal counsel and deliberations with each other, Chairman Calvo made a motion to have the lower burden of proof of substantial evidence be deemed the applicable burden of proof in this case. The Commission voted 4 to 0 to approve the motion by Chairman Calvo for the lower burden of proof of substantial evidence to be the applicable burden of proof as set forth in 4 GCA, § 4407 (c) due to the criminal allegations and charges against Employee set forth in the adverse action documents.

SO ORDERED this 27th day of October, 2022.

JUAN K. CALVO
Chairman

PRISCILLA TUNCAP
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